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WILL DISCUSS HARDING'S **PROPOSALS**

of Labor Board— Up to Both Factions

Cincinnati, July 31.-Five specific proposals for the settlement of will be submitted to railroad executives in New York and rail union heads in Chicago tomorrow, it was asserted tonight by an official of the railroad shop crafts;

cording to the official, include:

by the railroads will be discon- emergency. 5. Discussion of the establish-

ment of adjustment boards.

the general chairmen tomorrow, it quired as a patriotic step.

It was stated that the matter of troversy would for acceptance. accepting the proposals of President Harding is entirely up to the policy committee of the railroad department of the Amercan Federation of Labor since this body was the one which sanctioned the strike of the shopmen. The policy committee is composed of ninety men, thirty from each of three districts the dividing lines of which are the Mississippi river and the Mason and Dixon line.

Killing Near-Tindals

Henry Smiling, of Tindals, Found Dead in Osteen Old Mill Race

al white boys, Johanie Hodge, received promised promotions in President Harding as follows: Caesar Cockrill, Friendly Gallo- the service. Allen Holliday and the two broth- had to put the agreement into ef- stances it becomes apparent that ers of the boy Henry, who later in fect, and that all the strikers on the railroads can not consider declared Mr. Smith. the evening was found to be dead each road had to be taken back. in the mill race. The white boys noticed some clothes and a pair of slippers by the side of a log that stream, and as the bathing place is near a road they thought that perhaps some one had been in and probably stepped aside in the bushes undressed and would re-

However, no one came up to get the clothes that had been left on the bank of the stream, and they then suspected that probably some one had been drowned. Johnnie then sent for help to investigate. Several of the nearby white neighout was found to be the dead body sition of the plan would be made. of Henry Smiling. Coroner W. J. Seale was then called over the held an autopsy, and found that President Harding's expected pro-

Geo. D. Betts, Harry Hodge, Clar- strike situation. ence Hodge, H. B. Hodge and C. B. Pack, brought out the following verdict: That Henry Smiling SWANSON WINS came to his death by wounds inflicted upon his head by a party or parties unknown to the jurors.

for Germany is the view of official Governor Westmoreland Davis by condition among officials on their were entitled to the protection of nage consented to such a meeting cheap lands will be a development which ordered that the proposed to make a basic wage schedule.

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RAIL STRIKE SETTLEMENT DOUBTFUL

Abide by Decisions York and Chicago Today. Seniority Rights Are Stumbling Block

to permit use of his name, stated the government's influence was forward by the White House— cate topic in international polifrom rail union officials in Wash- to obtain adoption by the em- cisions of the railroad labor board tion of debts owed to Great Britain instituted this week was strongly The five specific proposals, ac- that of the employees in Chicago the strike be withdrawn—the heads concerned, apparently with a view 1. That the employes will abide the railroad labor board, after a ly that it was impossible to rein- that the time for grasping that netby the decisions of the United conference with President Harding state strikers with unimpaired se- tle might most conveniently be The States Railroad Labor Board in today, left for Chicago to be on niority rights, the third provision indefinitely postponed. hand when the meeting is called of of the president's plan. 2. In the matter of seniority the general policy committee of the After being told by Robert S. effect of the Earl of Balfour's the employes who remained on the striking shop craft unions. Secre- Lovett of the Union Pacific that note dicoverable today was that job during the strike will receive tary Hoover left tonight to attend there was no moral or practical it will afford an understanding all fields and formation there was no moral or practical it will afford an understanding all preferential treatment. Men who the New York meeting of the exe- reason for budging from their po- around of what are the policies

to those rights acquired during istration circles concerning accept- spective headquarters and indicat- next to repudiation, or an equivathe strike by men who remained ance by union leaders of the pro- ed that they were going ahead and lent plea of inability to pay, unon the job and that the seniority posed compromise settlement. Sev- would operate their roads with certainty is probably the worst tion committee also conferred toof the new employes will date from eral railroad executives, however, forces they had assembled since damage which Europe and the day with Cleveland operators on the the time they entered the service. are known to hold strong objection The men will accept the recent because of their belief that it wage reductions of the railroad la- would entait abandonment of old bor board pending a further re- employees who have stuck through hearing on the matter by the the strike, as well as new men who ignored strong inducements not to 4. "Farming" out of shop work accept employment during the

Personal friends and senatorial strong in their conviction that this ment boards the official stated that opposition would be more than the unions desire a national board offset by those executives who upholding the railroad labor forced to do. executives seek either regional or ther as a fair basis for settling the face of a letter from President Paris, Aug. 2.—Some statement mained questionable in official and ing to cancel the British debts. Three points will be stressed by conviction that acceptance was re- Cuyler, chairman of the Ameri- ing with the note of the Earl of Ever since the strike began, some sociated Press).—War loans to Optimistic forecast of action to lives, embodying

ity, national boards of adjustment meeting was based more than a upon which the railway managers commission circles, where it was Mine Workers, and the scale com- or-the reparations situation, it was and elimination of "farming" out little extent, it was indicated, on and united shop crafts workers are thought that the British communiof work. They will oppose, it was the belief that T. DeWitt Cuyler, to agree preliminary to calling off cation on inter-allied debts would ling majority in most operators' asstated, curtailment of seniority, chairman of the executive associa- the existing stirke." agreement to accept in the future tion and Vice President Atterbury ecisions of the board and other of the Pennsylvania representatives letter with these two sentences: ment. than a national board of adjust- of an influential group in the management side of the rail con-

tiate a settlement, the "seniority rights" so called continued to protrude in every conversation and eral of the larger systems which now claim to have the strike beaten has insisted that restoring the the decreased pay and abrogation of favorable rules, would mean the be the wedge which would divide change its attitude toward its throw the output bearing higher dismissal of great numbers of com-

way and some of Johnnie Hodge's |. On the union side, it was held by ing former employees can not be small brothers, went to Osteen's such spoksemen for the organiza- given preference to employees at mill to go in swimming, and after tions as were still watching the present in the services without do- wholesale, from subforemen to they reached the old mill race, a progress of events here that no set- ing violence to every principle of general managers, if their personplace used for bathing, they met tlement would be made by the or- right and justice involved in this al pledges to protect pesent emthree colored boys who were just ganizations unless it took care of matter and without the grossest ployees could not be made good, out of the swimming place and all their men. That meant that all breach of faith on the part of the they declared. were putting on their clothes. railroads, and not merely the railroads to the men at present in These three colored boys were largest number of smaller roads, their serice. Under these circum- to do is to let us alone; to let us years, but there has been some de-

that the executives of the larger had been cut across the mill their positive refusal to take back willing, in advance of tomorrow's that resolution would be passed by · Hodge, the older of the white boys, that such procedure was contrary to ties of the situation but that in view D. Betts, being among them, and dent they would accede to his views he. Mr. Betts, after feeling around of what public interest required. in the water with a long pole, felt | Some railroad officials were very something which when brought doubtful, however, that this dispo-

phone. Mr. Seale brought Dr. W. nine representatives of Eastern even more decisively. death had not been caused by posals for ending the shop craft drowning, but by wounds inflicted strike adjourned without formulat- They were the Atlanta, Birmingham committee who drafted the mesupon the head of the deceased, ing any plan for action and an- & Atlantic and the Gulf & Ship sage for Washington set forth hopeful that the long suspension who was probably killed and nounced they were still waiting for Island, both of which were de- very distinctly that they felt bound of mining will soon be at an end. thrown in the water, after death. the president to outline his pro- clared to have been unaffected by orally and legally to back up the He said today that he had no reason Monday, July 31, the coroner's posal. The conference was con- the shop craft strike. jury composed of A. E. Elliott, fined to discussions of the general President A. H. Smith of the New workers now manning the shops, last week that a conference of ope-

Paris, Aug. 1.—The British note ceived by the News-Leader early seniority ranking of the strikers strikebreakers but new employees resented at the meeting when callon the Inter-Allied debt question today from vesteray's primary in- was returned. has removed all possibility of dicated that Senator Swanson had Immediately others leaped to such service to prevent interrup- that a joint wage conference would in one year, nor, in five years, be held unjustified today by the for a settlement of the rail strike. France consenting to a moratorium been renominated over Former their feet to testify to a similar tion of railway transportation and be called as soon ts sufficient ton-

HARDING'S PLAN REJECTED BY EXECUTIVES

fuse to Agree to Settle Strike on the Terms Proposed by President

New York, Aug. 1 (By the Asso-Washington, July 31.—(By the

sition, the executives disbanded, and intentions of the governments The personnel of some of the rewith their seniority rights subject | There was little doubt in admin- caught the first trains for their re- considered. It is considered that gional committees is to be anthe shopmen walked out on July world of business could continue to question of supplies for the Great

would accept the compromise, ei- board. This action was taken in controversy or because of their Harding addressed to T. DeWitt of the American government deal- semi-official view. be expected from the New York agreement, as I understand them, is anxiously awaited in reparations Lewis, president of the United without relation to interallied debts

"I need hardly add that I have Information is said to have

any settlement of the present

given one vote for each 1,000 miles ican transportation system and

and the Kansas City Southern with made it plain that the new em-

when, in the midst of their discus- they were only upholding the rail- held.

WAR DEBTS A COAL STRIKERS' MOST DELICATE CONFERENCE PROBLEM

Have Been Studiously Dodging the Months

London, Aug. 2 (By the Assoin President Harding's plan which Associated Press.)—Convinced that ciated Press). — Railway execu- ciated Press).—The British gov- Associated Press).—With the fedtives of the naiton today firmly ernment's note to Great Britain's eral emergency coal control maacceptance by railway shopmen and ministration for the settlement of ain money and that she has a sibility that negotiations for a sep-Harding's compromise plan, all of conditionally two suggestions put thrown wide open the most deli- miners' union and some operators ployers' meeting in New York and and that law suits springing out of had been studiously avoided by all tomorrow. Chairman Hooper of of 148 roads declared emphatical on the part of the creditor nation

The most cheerful view of the

The decision not to yield on the Within a few days-after next question of seniority was made week's conference between Pre- the conferees. known to the White House by tele- miers Lloyd George and Poincare In Cleveland, it was understood graph after the rail heads had lis- -the policies of both Great Britain a meeting is to be held next Montened to a 20 minute address by and France should be made clear, day looking to the settlement of Secretary of Commerce Hoover The French position in one vital the strike in Pennsylvania Ohio, who, as direct representative of respect already is plain-that all Illinois and Indiana. the president, told them in effect European post-war indebtedness is advisers of the president were that the administration held the linked together and any solution tlement of the miners strike would seniority question of minor import of the situation must depend upon be or whether such a conference ance in comparison with that of what Germany may be willing or be lacking a considerable number of

or assume full responsibility for the the debts at the door of the United situation."

If the balloon burst through a meeting when the text of the part from its already established Harding letter was read, that set- policy the reparations experts have tlement of the rail strike was im- been informed that Great Britain though heads of the larger mining perative in view of the complicat- will proceed to a decision at the enterprises outside of Ohio insist ing conditions introduced by the coming meeting of the French debt that a settlement giving the men It became apparent from the American policy. Little hope is en- only allow a few months of opvery opening of today's conference tertained among the reparations ex- eration followed by shutdowns bethat the seniority question would perts that the United States will cause the non-union coal would administration and railway execu- debtors, but the point is empha- overhead cost out of the markets. petent men employed since the tives. After setting forth the sized that Lord Balfour's exposistrike. It would further mean the reasons why they held this an in-Tindal, Aug. 2.—In the after- displacement of men who stuck by surmountable obstacle, the rail- doubt as to who holds the key to cleus about which Mr. Lewis was noon of Saturday, July 29th sever- the railroads and who have since road chiefs ended their reply to the whole problem. It is felt that forming an interstate group with "It is submitted that the strik- some answer, even if indefinite in negotiate a wage scale.

forces and are getting the roads Pennsylvania product goes. who remained in the service and to will have a far worse strike on our ing as reasons for delay his ab- producing capacity, a resource national president of the miners' commission should be accompan-The only question which arose who stand by you to maintain dis- reluctance to assume any respon- ed, and which will utilize the tion of a basic wage scale. In adduring the short period during cipline. If strikers are reinstated sibility in the matter of coal dis-

seniorityy proposal turned down join the strike had done much to United States were not reported the president had emphasized

PROBABLE

Insists That Employes Meetings Held in New Railroad Officials Re- All Debtor Nations Possibility That Nego- Important Note In- United States Cham- Five Hundred Memtiations May Be Developed Soon — May Issue For Many Be Gathering From Four States

> Washington, July 31 (By the the railroad strike would be a mat- but courteously rejected the pro- allies in the great war reminding chine piloted by Fuel Distributor ter of history within 24 hours after gram advanced by the Harding ad- them that they owe Great Brit- Spencer finally under way, the pos- ton government, having been adequate for the country's needs, ers of the mob, were known and transportation chiefs of President the rail strike. Willing to accept right to ask for payment, has arate wage settlement between the the allied and associated powers, today by the coal bureau of the mob can be arrested anytime that mustered tonight behind the effort that both sides abide by wage de- ties. The discussion of the ques- Indiana bituminous fields might be States. der the administration's distribu-

> > Lakes region, but no statement was

employers of larger forces of min-

can Association of Railway Execu- Balfour, acting British foreign sec- operators have expressed willing- Great Britain are regarded by Coal Procedure the terms of retary, concerning allied war debts, ness to negotiate with John L not have the effect of preventing a sociations has been unwilling, how-dressed to six European nations by sociated Press).—A plan of pro-fuel Committee Pesident Harding had closed his Franco-British reparation settle- ever to concede the union's de- the Earl of Balfour. mands for a semi-national wage In the absence of the official text scale, made up by a joint action officials were disinclined to comreason to believe these terms will reached reparations headquarters of the employees in ment upon the specific propositions pleted today at a meeting of the the four states named, and have enunciated by Great Britain, but central coal committee with Henry also been unwilling to concede the the treasury took the view that it wage scale of 1920 with its \$7.50 was not a definite indication of

shortage, is said to have made the least while the market lasts,

the United States is bound to make whom he would shortly attempt to

This territory has never been in-"What we want the government central competitive field in past settle this strike in our own way," mand for its inclusion, since the coal produced there figures, largely "We have organized new shop in the markets to which the Ohio-

Raleigh, N. C., July 31.-Assignwith seniority rights it will be im- tribution," Governor Cameron is the opinion of Prof. L. V. Stark- ence President Lewis has summon- mission and final announcement by Morrison today notified Secretary ey, chief of the animal husbandry ed the organization's general pol- definite procedure, effort will be "Acceptance of President Hand- Hoover that he had designated the division, who has just returned icy committee to meet at Cleve- made to handle individual orders ing's proposal would result in members of the North Carolina from western North Carolina, land at the same time. complete demoralization of Amer- corporation commission to direct where the chief source of income

York Central apparently crystalized The executives contended that rators and miners in the Central get the right sort of pasture, beef LOW FREIGHT the sentiment of the rail chiefs, in standing by present employees, competitive field would soon be production will pay.

BRITISH VIEW ON THE ALLIED DEBT QUESTION

tended For the United States Made Public

London, Aug. 1 (By the Asso ciated Press) .- The British foreign

Belgium in London, the British way shopmen's strike. government views on the question There are positive indications, of interallied indebtedness and rep- the bureau said, "that certain in-

give allied war debts while at the which has caused much con-

by the Earl of Balfour, acting foreign secretary, to France, Italy, Jugo-Slavia, Portugal and Greece ternational settlement of debts basis upon which the operators and reparations on the basis of a shall deal with the miners"general cancellation of interallied whether on a national or district indebtedness and a generous reduction in German reparations, and at ing the next position of importance. the same time is the government's The report estimates that \$15,reply to those persons of the pub- 500,000 was collected annually by lic and the newspapers which have the United Mine Workers' nationfrankly advised cancellation of the al organization from the "check French, Italian and other allied off" and that about \$7,000,000 of fense" of every union member debts to England, irrespective of this was paid out to weighmen emwhether the United States was will- ployed by the union to verify massacre, Frank Farrington, Illi-

Washington, Aug. 1 (By the As- by the ton.

Paris, Aug. 1 (By the Associated German charge de'affaires, summarily ended the efforts of Germany to postpone her payments of debts to French citizens contracted by Germans before the war. The note of M. Poincare, which

was in reply to a German communication announcing inability to gives the Germans four days in before noon of August 5 that the 2,000,000 pounds sterling due will mittee: be paid August 15, M. Poincare asserts that the French government There were indications tonight will take such measures as it deems

Future For State In Meat Production

Resource Will Be Developed and Utilize Cheap Untillable Lands, Says Expert

South Carolina has a great dor- ence called for Cleveland next financing of shipments. mant resource in her future meat Monday by John L. Lewis, interwhich will be gradually develop- union, to make possible the adop- ied by a letter from the bank co the distribution of North Carolina's for the farmer is cattle. It is surallotment of coal. in this section are in good circumstances. They are living in comfortable houses and seem to have al states of the south and west I about sixteen thousand votes for

the like. Professor Starkey is of ported. the opinion, however, that when we

There are thousands of acres of sion, he threw upon the confer- road labor board, which in a res- It is understood that an inter- idle land in South Carolina, and as soon as these acres are put un-IN VIRGINIA grams from foremen and super- the strike was called, set forth that practically assured and that certain der fence and the soil which is now Washington, Aug. 1.—The provisors of the road, announcing the new men who entered the ser- influences are being brought to bare is covered with grass, beef posals of Southeastern railroads to Chicago, Aug. 2.—Union chiefs, Richmond, Aug. 2.—Returns re- they would have to resign if the vice of the railroads were not bear to have a large tonnage rep- production can be made profitable, alter the rates on apples coming headed by B. M. Jewell, head of the who had a legal right to engage in ed. It has been repeatedly stated that this change will come about Georgia and the Carolinas, were to to act on the president's proposals

MORE MEN **NEEDED IN** COAL MINES

ber of Commerce Reports Result of Investigation of Situation

Washington, July 31.-Addition ment issued here tonight announce important note on the question of of 100,000 men "of equal producing ed completion of a "sweeping iminterallied debts. Though not for- efficiency" to those now mining partial investigation of the Herrin mally addressed to the Washing- coal would insure a supply of coal massacre" declared that the leadostensibly meant only for some of according to a report made public that at least "500 members of the it evidently is intended primarily chamber of commerce of the Attorney General Brundage of Il-

The bureau based its calculation The note places on formal rec- on the production by 185,000 men idence and finding before the ord, on the eve of the coming con- - the number said by the depart- governor of Illinois statement said: ference between Premier Poincare ment of labor to be at work in the and Prime Minister Lloyd George mines-of something over 5,000,000 with representatives of Italy and tons in the week preceding the rail-

dustries in various parts of the Briefly the policy advocated is country have reached an end that it would be unjust; to the of the bituminous resources," British taxpayer to ask him to for- A development of the strike same time he was required to cern, the report declared, was the shoulder the indebtedness to Amer- interruption of coal delivery at

> According to the bureau the chief point of issue between the miners and operators was found to be "the basis-with the "check off" holdweighst of coal which was paid for nois president, announced today.

Washington, Aug. 1 (By the Associated Press) .- A plan of pro-B. Spencer, fuel distributor, presid- chairman of the South Carolina fi upon beome actually effective. At Geer, W. P. Conyers and A. G to be placed in the producing mine to procedure and additional infor will be placed before Mr. Hoover as received from day to day. for approval, together with a draft | "All applications for coal wa will govern the activities of those established by the fuel administra organizations in combatting profi- tion at Washington and in order teering and insuring a ready dis- of the emergency indicated. All

state fuel agencies which have lowing special information should been reported to the central com- be given:

Florida: Florida railroad com- utility or otherwise. mission, Tallahassee, Fla.; North Carolina, state corporation com- including source from which su mission, Raleigh, N. C.; South Car- ply has been previously obtained olina, B. E. Geer, chairman, gov-Virginia, Maj. Alexander Forward, "The fuel administration coal administrator, Richmond, Va. | Washington has ruled that no req

sociated Press). - Governmental ing payment of sight draft with and financial influences are being weight certified and car number atexerted, it was learned here today, tached. of bituminous coal operators enter ommends that each consumer as Clemson College, July 31-"That the interstate joint wage confer- range with bankers to guarantee

St. Louis, Aug. 2.-With Senator "In fact, in traveling over sever- Reed leading Breckinridge Long by twenty-four hundred and twelve being made at a meeting of the There are many farmers in South precincts out of thirty-eight hun- board of directors of this organ-Carolina who believe that on the dred forty eight in the state, ization held July 25 and become average beef production does not Reed's campaign manager, Ed ing effective at the close of busipay. Perhaps they are right. But Glenn, told the Associated Press ness July 31. His resignation was we have the right to ask why is it today that Reed would win by accepted with a statement of ap-

this question, some of which are fell to fifteen thousand and eighty- urer and from now on will be bot poor soils, poor pastures, scrub nine at eleven o'clock today, as adcattle, free range, diseases and ditional country precincts were re-

RATE STANDS WILL ACCEPT

IN THE MINE MASSACRE

bers of Mob Can Be Arrested When the Word is Given

Pittsburgh, July 31.-The Natlinois gives the word"

The association in laying its ev laid on the point that survivors of the massacre are able to point out the official of the United Mines Workers of America who gave the word to take the unarmed prisoners off the roads into the woods and shoot them down in the manner of an army squad executing spies or traitors" says the announcement.

"The National Coal association eports supports the contention of the Illinois attorney that the mas-

The statement announces that its investigation corroborated stories of "barbarous treatment of the 'wounded" as reported by press associations and newspapers and declared that some bodies were found to have been "branded."

Springfield, Ill., July 31 (By the ssociated Press).—The Him branch of the United Mine Workers will "finance and erect the debrought to trial for the Herrin

"The very magnitude and sternness of the agitation for the punishment of those involved in the rioting creates danger for innocent

Ready to Move

applications if sent by telegra Mr. Spencer made public the fol- should be confirmed by letters lowing appointments of Southern and with each application the following

"Nature of consumer, if publ

"2. Character of coal required

Philadelphia, Aug. 1 (By the As- companied by evidence guarante

sitions will be honored unless ac-

as promptly as possible where

MISSOURI Hollowell Leaves **Export Corporation**

emergency arises."

Columbia, Aug. 2.-R. L. Hol-

preciation of his services. Richard I. Manning, president of

Robert V. Read was elected assistant treasurer and secretary of

HARDING'S PLAN

ceptance of the plan will be voted.